

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 3876-01
Bill No.: HB 1296
Subject: Economic Development Dept.; Licenses - Professional; Health Care Professionals
Type: Original
Date: February 16, 2004

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development - Division of Professional Registration** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** state this proposal allows the board of healing arts to issue provisional and temporary physical therapist licenses. The Department of Economic Development could promulgate rules to enact this proposal. Based on experience with other divisions, the rules, regulations and forms issued by the Department of Economic Development could require as many as 12 pages in the *Code of State Regulations*. For any given rule, roughly one-half again as many pages are published in the *Missouri Register* as are published in the Code because cost statements, fiscal notes and notices are not published in the Code. The estimated cost of a page in the *Missouri Register* is \$23.00. The estimated cost of a page in the *Code of State Regulations* is \$27.00. The actual costs could be more or less than the numbers given. The fiscal impact of this legislation in future years is unknown and depends upon the frequency and length of rules filed, amended, rescinded and withdrawn. The SOS estimates the cost of this legislation to be \$738 [(12 pp x \$27) + (18 pp x \$23)].

Oversight assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process. Any decisions to raise fees to defray costs would likely be made in subsequent fiscal years.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

This proposal could affect small businesses by allowing some physical therapists to begin practicing sooner.

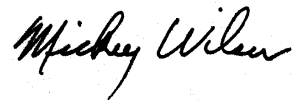
DESCRIPTION

This proposal contains provisions regarding the licensing of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants. The proposal: (1) Provides for reciprocal, provisional, and temporary licenses; (2) Allows additional examination sittings for individuals who meet certain criteria; (3) Requires provisional licensed physical therapists to practice under the direct supervision of a licensed physical therapist; (4) Permits issuance of temporary licenses to those failing the licensing exam. The duration of the first temporary license will be six months and can only be renewed once. This renewal may only be issued if the licensee, after showing good cause, fails to sit for the next scheduled examination. Temporary licenses may be issued to students in their last semester of physical therapy school; and (5) Requires that applicants only sit for the licensing exam three times. Upon failing the state exam for the second time, an applicant must complete a program of remediation before sitting for the third exam.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Economic Development -
Division of Professional Registration
Office of Secretary of State

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